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Comstock Mill Historical Survey Site Packet

Mill # 181 Mill Name: Mariposa Mill (AKA THE CALIFORNIA
MILL)

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1.0 HISTORICAL DOCUMENTATION OF MILL

1.1 HISTORICAL SUMMARY OF MARIPOSA MILL

The Mariposa Mill was constructed in 1861 by Goodman and Hubbell for about \$20,000 (Ansari 1989:7; Kelly 1862:111). The mill had 12 600-pound stamps that could process 15 tons of ore per day (Ansari 1989:7; Kelly 1862:111). Knox pans and Hungarian bowls were used for amalgamation (Kelly 1862:111) and a 15 horsepower steam engine supplied power for the mill operation (Kelly 1862:111). The Bank of California, under William Sharon, owned the mill in 1867 (*Territorial Enterprise* 1867:3). In 1868, Samuel Stewart leased the mill (*Territorial Enterprise* 1868:3), and in 1869, Fair and Mackay leased it (*Territorial Enterprise* 1869:3). By 1870, the Bonanza Firm owned the Mariposa Mill (SAIA SC 1993:20).

In 1873, the mill had a lease with the Evans Mill which allowed it to use the Evans Mill reservoir to catch and retain slimes (SAIS TSC 1993:20). Also in 1873, the mill had five pans, two settlers, and one agitator (*Territorial Enterprise* 1873:3). Once the ore was reduced and processed to pulp, a steaming process was applied to the ore pulp (Kelly 1862:111). In 1872, the mill processed 30 tons of ore per day (Ansari 1989:7; SMR 1871-72:138). By 1876, the mill had an ore-processing capacity of 40 tons per day (De Quille 1947:394).

The number of stamps listed for the mill vary over the years, beginning with 12 as constructed (Ansari 1989:7); 10 in 1873 (*Territorial Enterprise* 1873:3); and 12 once again in 1879 (*Territorial Enterprise* 1879:3). Also variable were the mines from which the Mariposa received ore, included amongst its clients were the Mexican Mine, the Sacramento Mine, the Hale & Norcross Mine, the Sierra Nevada Mine, and the Con Virginia Mine (*Gold Hill Daily News* 1865:3; *Territorial Enterprise* 1868:3; 1872:3; 1873:3; 1879:3). Two aliases are known for the mill; the Mariposa Quartz Mill (Kelly 1862:111; Hochholzer 1865), and the California Mill (*Territorial Enterprise* 1867:3; Ansari 1989:7), which is not to be confused with the 1875 mill located near the C&C Shaft. The Mariposa Mill was dismantled in 1880 (*Territorial Enterprise* 1880:3).

Figure 1 is a portion of the 1879 Wheeler map showing the location of the Mariposa Mill. Figure 2 is a portion of the 1865 Hochholzer map also showing the location of the mill.

2.2 Mariposa Mill

The Mariposa Mill was located within the townsite of Virginia City, in Cedar Ravine, at the foot of Cedar Hill (Map 3). Collins 1864 Directory described the mill as being erected in 1861 (A-5;A008006).

In 1862, Kelly's First Directory described the Mariposa Mill as having 12 stamps and a crushing capacity of 15 tons per day (A-4;A011020). It identified Goodman & Hubbell as the proprietors of the Mariposa Quartz Mill, however the title search did not uncover any conveyances of the mill or millsite to or from persons named Goodman or Hubbell, or any entity with the name Goodman & Hubbell.

The title history begins with a tax deed dated November 24, 1863, from Sacra & Ramsdell, by the Tax Collector to F. A. Sawyer. This conveys a parcel of land in Cedar Ravine, north of the road from Seven Mile Canyon. This deed makes no mention of the mill (D-1).

Kelly's 1863 Directory and Collins 1864 Directory both describe the Mariposa Mill as running 12 stamps (A-6;A008120) (A-5;A008005).

The earliest recorded title document mentioning the Mariposa Mill is a deed dated November 29, 1864. The deed conveys what appears to be an adjacent parcel located to the west of the Mariposa Mill, from Frederick A. Sawyer to P. F. Davis and J. V. McCurdy, dba Davis & McCurdy. The property description in the deed refers "to a ditch owned by the parties of the second part [Davis & McCurdy], on which the Mariposa Mill is located" (D-2).

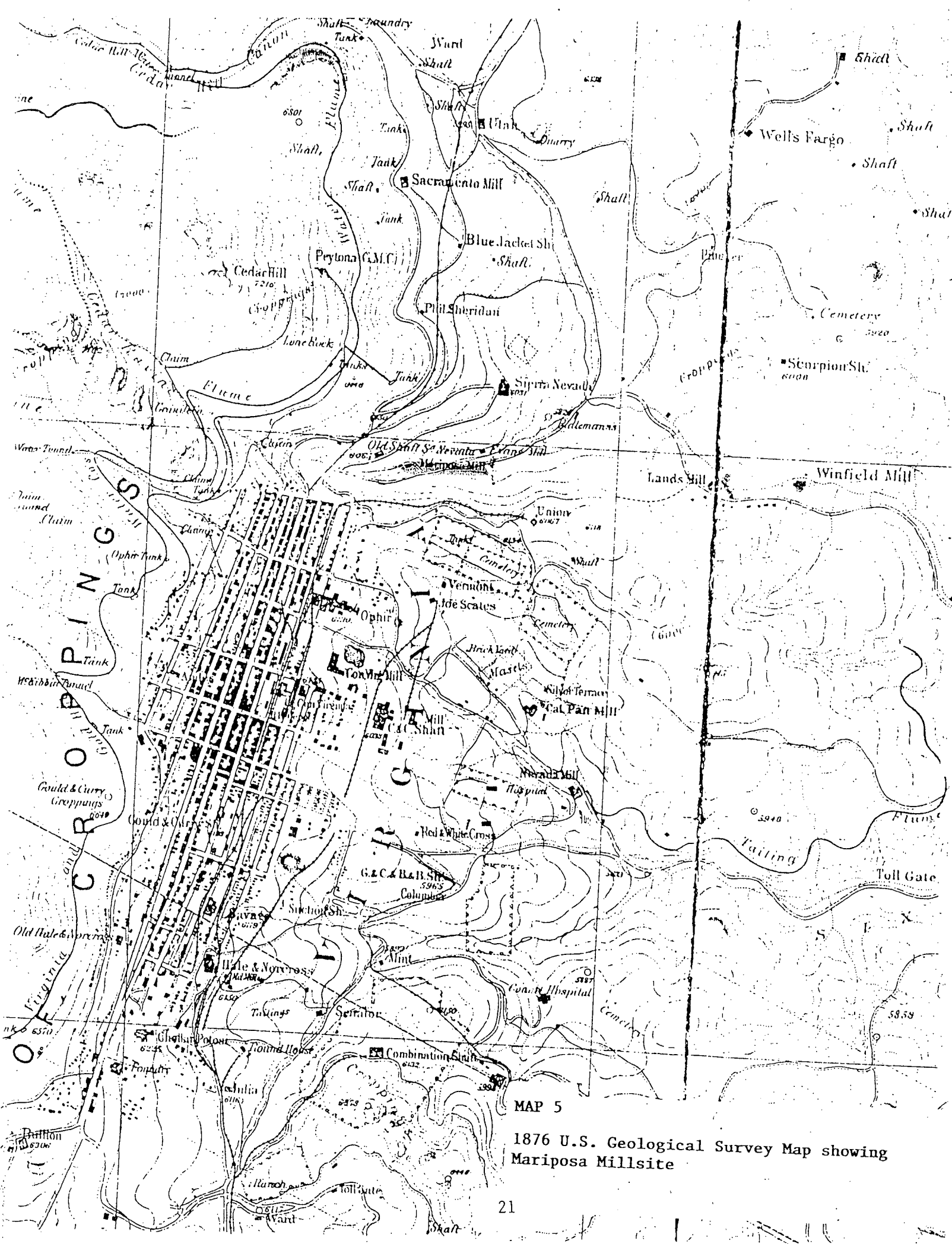
In a deed dated November 24, 1866, P. F. Davis and J. V. McCurdy conveyed their interest in the Mariposa Mill and millsite to William Sharon (D-3). Less than a year later, on September 9, 1867, A. L. Greeley, James G. Fair, and John Gillig, as assignees of the McCurdy bankruptcy estate, conveyed the Mariposa Mill and millsite to William Sharon in consideration of the release of Sharon's \$17,557 mortgage on the land and property (D-4). No such mortgage was recorded.

The 1866 State Mineralogist's Report reported the Mariposa Mill had 12 stamps and a capacity of 15 tons per day (A-7;A008519).

William Sharon conveyed the Mariposa Mill and millsite to J. Flood, J. MacKay, J. Fair, and W. O'Brien on February 5, 1870 (D-5).

The 1871 State Mineralogist's Report and Powell's 1876 Land of Silver both describe the Mariposa Mill as having 12 stamps and a capacity of 30 tons per day. (A-1;A008456) (A-2;A005027).

Another document that should be noted is a lease dated November 10, 1873, between Oramel Evans and the Mariposa Mill Company. This lease was for a period of two years with an option for two more years. It describes a piece of land situated below the Mariposa Mill, whereon is the upper reservoir of Oramel Evans from which he has "settled and drawn water for his own mill." In order to allow the Mariposa Mill Company to catch and retain the slimes from its mill, Evans granted the Mariposa Mill Company the right and privilege to take from the reservoir, "all slimes and tailings thereon deposited from its said mill" (D-6).



No title documents were located which conveyed the ownership of the mill to Mariposa Mill Company.

On July 30, 1874, Flood, MacKay, Fair and O'Brien conveyed the Mariposa Mill and millsite (and several other mills and millsites) to the Pacific Mill and Mining Company. This deed also conveyed "all slimes and tailings caught from said mill" (D-7). No subsequent conveyances appear of record.

The 1880, 1886, and 1900 tax roll from Virginia City identifies the Pacific Mill and Mining Company as the taxpayer for the property on which the mill was erected.

No additional title documents were located concerning the surface parcel on which the Mariposa millsite stood. Storey County has asserted ownership of platted lands if no owner can be found.

CURRENT ASSESSED OWNER

Parcel No.

Owner

01-302-02

Storey County Treasurer
Drawer D
Virginia City, NV 89440

The title abstract and title tree for the Mariposa millsite follow. The title documents are contained in Attachment III.

MARIPOSA MILLSITE

DATE	INST	GRANTOR	GRANTEE	PROPERTY AND COMMENTS	DATE RECORDED	COUNTY BOOK	COUNTY PAGE	DOCUMENT NUMBER
11-24-1863	Tax Deed	Sacra & Ramsdell by Tax Collector	F. A. Sawyer	Lot on north of road from Seven Mile Canyon through Cedar Ravine	11-24-1863	Deeds U	332-334	(D-1)
11-29-1864	Deed	Fredk. A. Sawyer	P. F. Davis J. V. McCurdy	Lot on north side of main road leading from Seven Mile Canyon up through Cedar Ravine	06-05-1865	Deeds Z	175-176	(D-2)
11-24-1866	Deed	P. F. Davis J. V. McCurdy	William Sharon	Mariposa Mill and mill site	11-24-1866	Deeds 26	758-759	(D-3)
09-09-1867	Deed	A. L. Greeley James G. Fair John Gillig (assignees of Joseph V. McCurdy, bankrupt)	William Sharon	Mariposa Mill and mill site	09-25-1867	Deeds 28	192-194	(D-4)
02-05-1870	Deed	William Sharon	J. C. Flood, J. W. Mackay, James G. Fair, W. S. O'Brien	Mariposa Mill and mill site	02-12-1870	Deeds 30	003-004	(D-5)
11-10-1873	Lease	Oramel Evans	Mariposa Mill Company	Granted right and privilege to take from reservoir owned by Oramel Evans, all slimes and tailings deposited by Mariposa Mill, for a period of two years.	11-10-1873	Book E	514	(D-6)
07-30-1874	Deed	James G. Fair J. C. Flood W. S. O'Brien John W. Mackay	Pacific Mill and Mining Company	Mariposa Mill and lot, and other properties	08-06-1874	Deeds 34	354-358	(D-7)

List of Mills in Nevada.

NAME.	Motive Power.	Copper Weekly Days	No. of Stamps.	Weight of Stamps.	No. of Pans.	Nature of Pans.	Estimated Value of Copper Produced Per Week	REMARKS.
SPRINK COUNTY.								
Atlas.....	steam	4	15	600	8	Hepburn	25	
Atwood.....	"	4	16		20-2	Knox, Wheeler	20	
Bay State.....	"	6	23		14	Wheeler	35	
Bower's.....	"	4	20	10-600 10-700	30	Knox	25	
Central.....	"	8	13		4	Hepburn	12	
Crown Point.....	"	5	8	800	8	Knox	8	
Comet.....	"	4	18				20	
Douglas.....	"	4	10	650	20	Plain	16	
Eclipse.....	"	4	16		8	Hepburn	25	
Empire, No. 1.....	"	5	21	550	20		30	
Empire, No. 2.....	"	8	16	650	12	Wheeler	32	
Empire State.....	"	5	15		20-2-2	Knox, Wheeler, Hepburn	15	
Gold Hill.....	"	3	14	8-600 6-750	24	Knox	17	
Granite.....	"							Refitting.
Gould & Curry.....	"	20	30		39-3	Hepburn, Varney	100	
Hoosier State.....	"	24	8	750	24	Knox	12	
Imperial.....	"	6	44	600	74	Knox		
Land's.....	"	64	20		10	Wheeler	30	
Mariposa.....	"	4	12		2-6	Knox, Wheeler	15	
Maryaville.....	"	6	9		30	Plain	18	
Ogden.....	"	6	22		12	Wheeler	20	
Pacific.....	"	8	30	650	15	Wheeler	30	
Petaluma.....	"	34	16	700	18	Knox	26	
Plute.....	"	64	20	650	12	Hepburn	30	
Rhode Island.....	"	8	25	650	13-8	Knox, Hepburn	40	
Rigby's.....	"	4	10		6	Varney	12	
Rogers.....	"	34	8				12	
Sapphire.....	"	6	16	750	56	Knox	28	
Simcoe.....	"	6	10		8	Tubs, Wheeler, Hepburn	25	
Stevenson's.....	"	24	8	600	10	Knox	10	
Succor.....	"	6	20				26	

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OF THE

STATE MINERALOGIST

OF THE

STATE OF NEVADA

FOR 1866.

CARSON CITY:

JOSEPH E. ECKLEY, STATE PRINTER.

1867.

NAME.	Motive Power.	Cords Wood p Day.	No. of Stamps.	Weight of Stamps.	No. of Pans.	Nature of Pans.	Crushing Capacity per Day Tons.	REMARKS.
STOREY COUNTY.								
Atlas.....	steam	4 1/2	15	600	8	Hepburn.....	25	
Atwood.....	"	4 1/2	16		26-2	Knox, Wheeler.....	20	
Bay State.....	"	6	23		14	Wheeler.....	35	
Bower's.....	"	4	20	10-600 10-700	30	Knox.....	26	
Central.....	"	8	13		4	Hepburn.....	12	
Crown Point.....	"	5	8	500	8	Knox.....	8	
Comet.....	"	4 1/2	16				20	
Douglas.....	"	4	10	650	26	Plain.....	16	
Eclipse.....	"	4	15		8	Hepburn.....	25	
Empire, No. 1.....	"	5 1/2	21	650	29		30	
Empire, No. 2.....	"	8	16	650	12	Wheeler.....	32	
Empire State.....	"	5	15		20-2-2	Knox, Wheeler, Hepburn.....	15	
Gold Hill.....	"	3	14	8-600 8-750	24	Knox.....	17	
Granite.....	"							Refitting.
Gould & Curry.....	"	20	80		39-3	Hepburn, Varney.....	100	
Hoosier State.....	"	3 1/2	8	750	24	Knox.....	12	
Imperial.....	"	6	44	600	74	Knox.....	30	
Land's.....	"	5 1/2	20		10	Wheeler.....	15	
Mariposa.....	"	4	12		2-6	Knox, Wheeler.....	18	
Marysville.....	"	5	9 1/2		30	Plain.....	20	
Ogden.....	"	6	22		12	Wheeler.....	50	
Pacific.....	"	8	30	650	15	Wheeler.....	26	
Petaluma.....	"	3 1/2	18	700	18	Knox.....	30	
Piute.....	"	5 1/2	20	650	12	Hepburn.....	40	
Rhode Island.....	"	8	25	650	13-8	Knox, Hepburn.....	12	
Rigby's.....	"	4	10		5	Varney.....	12	
Rogers'.....	"	3 1/2	8				12	
Sapphire.....	"	5	16	750	56	Knox.....	28	
Simcoe.....	"	5	16		8	Tubs, Wheeler, Hepburn.....	25	
Stevenson's.....	"	2 1/2	8	500	10	Knox.....	10	
Succor.....	"	6	20				26	

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Summit.....	"	6	20	625	11-1	Wheeler, Varney.....	35	
Union.....	"	2 1/2	14	10-650 4-500	14		14	
Winfield.....	"	5	18		8	Hepburn.....	30	
LYON COUNTY.								
Birdsall & Carpenter.....	water	2	30	650	20	Wheeler.....	55	
Bacon.....	steam	6	20	650	17	Wheeler.....	30	
Bartolo.....	"	3	8	550	8	Knox.....	9	
Cole & Co.....	"	3	5	480	4	Wheeler.....	3	
Devil's Gate.....	"	5	8	900	10	Hepburn.....	14	
Daney.....	"	6	15	550	15	Wooden Tubs.....	20	
Dayton, No. 1.....	water	1	20	500	6	Wheeler.....	20	
Dayton, No. 2.....	steam	6	15	800	8	Varney.....	15	
Eagle.....	water		5	400	2	Knox.....	15	
Eastern Slope.....	steam	5 1/2	16	880	6	Hepburn.....	20	
Excelsior.....	"	3	10	650	18	Knox.....	18	
Eureka.....	water		20	650	8	Wheeler.....	22	
Franklin.....	"	4	10	600	8	Knox.....	12	
Golden Eagle.....	steam	3 1/2	10	850	25	Tubs.....	13	
Illinois.....	"	5	20	400	5	Hepburn.....	20	
Island.....	"	2	19	650	11	Tubs.....	14	
Lindauer & Co.....	st'm & water	2 1/2	15	480	10	Wheeler.....	20	Dismantled.
Metallurgical Works.....	steam	5	15	700	6	Wheeler.....	16	
Monitor.....	water		5	450	2	Wheeler.....	3	
New York & Nevada.....	steam	5 1/2	20	550	17	Hepburn.....	25	
Ophir.....	st'm & water	2 1/2	24	600	15	Hepburn.....	35	
Pioneer.....	steam	6	15	700	15	Tubs and Wheeler.....	20	
Phoenix, No. 1.....	"	6	15	650	8	Tubs and Wheeler.....	19	
Phoenix, No. 2.....	"	7	20	534	34	Tubs.....	28	One of these Mills destroyed by fire during 1866.
Palmyna.....	"	4 1/2	10	650	12	Tubs.....	15	
Rock Point.....	st'm & water	2 1/2	56	550	50	Tubs and 6 Hepburn.....	60	
Sparrow & Trench.....	steam	6	20	600	19		25	
Sherman & Co.....	water		5	400	2		4	
Swansea.....	steam	5	14	900	22	Tubs.....	20	
Smith, D. L.....	water		5	450	4	Tubs.....	4	
Sacramento.....	steam	5	12	750	12	Tubs.....	18	
San Francisco.....	st'm & water	3	10	650	7	4 Tubs and Wheeler.....	14	
Weston & Co.....	steam	4	15	550	9	Wheeler.....	14	
Weston & Co.....	water		10	450	8	Tubs.....	11	

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Still a threat to the other species
populations are expanding in the United States. The
Silver Chinchilla are propagating in great numbers
out into the wilderness. The El Estero
with them in the mountains. Distinct from the
other species in a number of ways. The
from the other. This new species is said
to be found in the same way. The
everything going to be a million years
long. The other species is the most common
better than the growing species in a
the same species.

Ordnance (Continued).—The Ordnance Corps is now in a payable condition. Twenty of the sixty men that have been employed on the road for the past month were yesterday discharged. The force remaining will be used in filling up ruts and other work encountered down the road as it develops. In a very few days the road will be all right again.

DEAD.—John Thomas, a deceased colored man sent to the County Hospital two weeks since by the City Health Commission, died last Saturday.

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L. J. B. & M. J. B.

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Old Fellow

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I am very sorry that
I am in the hospital.
I am very sorry that
I am in the hospital.

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To: [illegible]

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Tabular list of mills crushing ore from mines

on the Comstock lode during the year 1866.

MARIPOSA

Names.	Owners.	Location.	When built.	Estimated cost.	Assessed value.	Horse power.	STAMPS.				WHEELS.		WATER.		WOOD.	
							Number.	Weight, pounds.	Drop in inches.	Drops per minute.	Kind.	Diameter, feet.	Fall, feet.	Amount, inches.	Cords per day.	Cost per cord.
STOREY COUNTY.																
Atlas.	Haggin & Tevis.	Lower Gold Hill.	1861	\$35,000	\$21,444	36	15	600							44	\$13
Atwood's.	George Atwood.	Flowery (Six Mile-Creek)		35,000	19,722		16								44	
Bay State.	Bay State Mill Co.	American Flat		40,000	24,000		23								6	
Bowers.	L. S. Bowers.	Crown Point Ravine, (G.H.)		160,000	15,450		20	{10-600 10-700}	9	70					4	14
Central.	J. B. Dickenson.	Virginia		75,000	32,000		13								8	
Crown Point (1)	Crown Point G. & S. M. Co.	Crown Point Ravine, (G.H.)	1862	40,000	30,000	35	8	500	9	70					5	14
Conest (1)	New York & Nevada M. Co.	Gold Hill		40,000	27,000		16								4	14
Douglas (1)	C. S. Wheeler	Lower Gold Hill	1862	40,000	18,000		10	650	8	78					4	12
Eclipse.	Eclipse M. & M. Co.	Gold Hill		50,000	25,000		13								4	14
Empire State.	Wm. Sharon, Agent	Seven Mile Cañon		35,000	28,800		13								4	14
Empire No. 1 (1)	W. S. Hobart	Virginia	1860	75,000	12,000	60	16	650	9	80					5	15
Empire No. 2 (1)	Empire M. & M. Co.	Lower Gold Hill.	1860	80,000	26,500	60	16	650	9	80					8	14
Gold Hill.	Gold Hill Q. M. & M. Co.	Gold Hill.	1860	30,000	25,000	45	14	{6-750 8-800}	7	84					3	14
Gould & Curry	Gould & Curry M. Co.	Seven Mile Cañon		380,000	205,000		80								20	
Hoover State.	Clark & Heurst.	Virginia	1862	40,000	14,750	20	8	750	9	70					3	14
Imperial.	Imperial S. M. Co.	Lower Gold Hill.	1860	75,000	23,000	60	44	600	8						6	14
Luhle's.	Charles Lund.	Seven Mile Cañon		60,000	35,000		20								5	
Mariposa.	J. V. McCurdy.	do.		20,000	10,000	(1) 12	9								4	
Marysville (1)	O'Neale, Rule & Glasier	Lower Gold Hill.		50,000	24,000		22								5	
Ogden.	O. S. Garvill	Virginia		50,000	34,000		30								6	
Pacific.	Sharon & Co.	Lower Gold Hill.	1863	75,000	23,000	80	10	650	10	72					8	14
Petaluma (1)	Greely Bros.	do.		30,000	19,000	30	10	700							3	14
Pike's.	M. Livingston	do.	1863	80,000	47,000	60	20	660	10	80					5	14
Rhode Island	Crown Point G. & S. M. Co.	Gold Hill	1862	100,000	45,000	(1) 150	25	650	10	80					8	14
Rigby's (1)	Rigby & Co.	American Flat.		25,000	10,000		10								4	
Rogers's (1)	Rogers S. M. Co.	Seven Mile Cañon	1862	25,000	10,000		8								3	
Sapphire.	W. S. Hobart	Lower Gold Hill	1861	60,000	22,000	45	16	750	9	80					5	13
Simcoe.	A. Bassett & Co.	Seven Mile Cañon		35,000	14,000		16								5	
Stevenson's (1)	C. C. Stevenson	Gold Hill	1860	15,000	45,000	(2) 8	8	500	6	76					2	14
Succor (1).	O'Neale, Rule & Co.	Lower Gold Hill.		50,000	22,500		20								6	
Summit.	Mason, Carville & Wright	Virginia	(1)	50,000	20,000	20	20	625		70					6	14
Union.	Wm. Kidd	Gold Hill.	1861	25,000	10,000		14	{10-650 4-500}	10	60					2	14
Winfield.	L. A. Booth	Seven Mile Cañon		80,000	19,000		18								5	
Total.....	33			2,000,000	953,722		607								180	
LYON COUNTY.																
Bacon.	Lowe & Fair	Silver City	1863	\$85,000		60	20	720	10	75					8	\$1
Birdall & Carpenter.	Birdall & Carpenter.	Dayton	1865	(1) 110,000			30	613	9	85	Overshot	50			1	10
Cole & Co.	Cole & Co.	Johnstown	1864	10,000		20	5	480	9	65					2	10
Confidence.	Confidence M. Co.	Silver City	1861	35,000		35	(1) 12	900							5	
Dayton No. 1.	Winters, Kistell & Co.	Dayton	1861	50,000		20	20	600	10	75	2—central discharge	54	13	1,500	1	8
Dayton No. 2 (1).	do.	do.	1864	40,000		60	15	800	10	75					5	8
Dacey.	Dacey M. & M. Co.	3 miles from Dayton	1863	70,000		45	15	550							6	
Eagle.	do.	Silver City	1864				5	400			Overshot	37		100	1	
Eastern Slope.	Stevenson, Winters & Co.	Below Silver City	1862	60,000		60	12	1,100	10	50					6	11
Eureka.	Wheeler, Hurd & Dunker.	Carson River, near Dayton	1861	100,000		20	20	650			Turbine			2,500	3	
Excelsior.	John Briggs	Johnstown	1861	25,000		40	10	650							2	
Franklin.	Wm. Sharon, agent	Carson River, near Dayton	1861	50,000		10	10	600			Central discharge			2,500	2	
Gold Cañon Reduc-	Wm. Sharon, agent.	Silver City	1862	40,000		30	15	700	9	75					6	12
Golden Eagle.	O'Neale, Rule & Co.	Carson River, near Dayton	1861			40	10	850							3	
Illinois.	Wm. Sharon, agent.	do.	1864	30,000		30	20	400							5	10
Imperial (Rock Pt)	Imperial M. Co.	do.	1861	250,000		50	50	{16-800 40-550}	8	80	2—Overshot	{1-14 1-13}	14	3,600	6	10
Island.	O'Neale, Rule & Co.	do.	1862	40,000		25	10	720			Central discharge	24-5		1,800	4	
Moulton.	Hirschman & Co.	Gold Cañon, near Dayton	1865	6,000			5	450				32	32	1,200	1	
Ophir (New).	Ophir S. M. Co.	Carson River	1864	75,000		40	24	650			Turbine	10	14		1	10
Phoenix No. 1 (1)	Hentsch and Berton.	Below Silver City	1861	40,000		45	16	650							6	
Pioneer (1)	Sheldon & Hickok	Silver City	1861	40,000		45	15	700							6	
Sacramento (1)	Hunt, Woodruff & Co.	Johnstown	1861	50,000		30	12	750							5	
San Francisco	Charles Schad	Carson River, near Dayton	1861	40,000		30	10	650			Central discharge	10		1,100	3	
Swansea.	W. Sharon, agent.	Johnstown	1862	60,000		40	12	900							5	

Tabular list of mills crushing ore from mines on lode during the year 1866—Continued.

Names.	Owners.	Location.	When built.	Tons capacity.	Miles from mine.	Cost of mill.	Cost of water per month.	Tuba.	PANS.				Settlers.	Agitators.	Breakers.	Grinders.	Crushing capacity per month, tons.	
									Knox.	Wheeler.	Hepburn.	Varney.						
STOREY COUNTY.																		
Atlas	Haggin & Tevis	Lower Gold Hill	1861	25	1	250					8		4				750	
Atwood's	George Atwood	Flowery (Six Mile Creek)		20	4				20	2			12				1,400	
Bay State	Bay State Mill Co.	American Flat		35	2		250			14				1			750	
Bowers	L. S. Bowers	Crown Point Ravine, (G. H.)		25	1	100		(2)	30		(2)	4	(2)	4			670	
Central	J. B. Dickenson	Virginia		12	2	100	(1)	100			(2)	4		1			250	
Crown Point (1)	Crown Point G. & S. M. Co.	Crown Point Ravine, (G. H.)	1862	8	0	75		6	8								600	
Comet (1)	New York & Nevada M. Co.	Gold Hill		20	0	350								1			415	
Douglas (1)	C. S. Wheeler	Lower Gold Hill	1862	16	1	75							4			2	700	
Eclipse	Eclipse M. & M. Co.	Gold Hill		25	0	300											700	
Empire State	Wm. Sharon, agent	Seven Mile Cañon		15	3			(1)	20	2		2					900	
Empire No. 1 (1)	W. S. Hobart	Virginia	1860	30	1	300				12			6				1,000	
Empire No. 2 (1)	Empire M. & M. Co.	Lower Gold Hill	1860	33	1	300							4				475	
Gold Hill	Gold Hill Q. M. & M. Co.	Gold Hill	1860	17	2	225	(1)	5	24		99	3	21				3,500	
Gould & Curry	Gould & Curry M. Co.	Seven Mile Cañon		100	2									3			400	
Hoosier State	Clark & Hearst	Virginia	1862	13	1	200		(1)	24					2			1,100	
Imperial	Imperial S. M. Co.	Lower Gold Hill	1860	30	1	300			74				5		(B)	1	1,000	
Land's	Charles Land	Seven Mile Cañon		20	3					10			(2)	3			600	
Mariposa	J. V. McCurdy	do		15	2	150			2	6				2			500	
Marysville (1)	O'Neale, Rule & Glasier	Lower Gold Hill		18	1	75							(1)	4			1,000	
Ogden	O. S. Carvill	Virginia		20	1					12				5		2	1,305	
Pacific	Sharon & Co.	Lower Gold Hill	1863	50	1	400				15			(1)	5	1		300	
Petaluma (1)	Greely Bros.	do		12	1	150			18				(1)	0		1	1,200	
Pinto	M. Livingston	do	1863	40	12	300					12		(1)	0			1,350	
Rhode Island	Crown Point G. & S. M. Co.	Gold Hill	1862	50	4	400		(2)	13		8		4	2		1	400	
Rigby's (1)	Rigby & Co.	American Flat		12	2	150						5					360	
Rogers (1)	Rogers S. M. Co.	Seven Mile Cañon	1862	12	3								2		(1)	1	850	
Sapphire	W. S. Hobart	Lower Gold Hill	1861	28	1	250			56				3				700	
Succoc	A. Bassett & Co.	Seven Mile Cañon		25	6			2		(1) 4	2						150	
Stevenson's (1)	C. O. Stevenson	Gold Hill	1860	5	1	50			10	(3) 1			1				600	
Succor (1)	O'Neale, Rule & Co.	Lower Gold Hill		26	2	150					3		1				900	
Summit	Mason, Carville & Wright	Virginia	(1)	35	1	300				11		(2) 1	4				400	
Union	Wm. Kidd	Gold Hill	1861	14	2	200		14					4		(B)	1	1,000	
Windfield	L. A. Booth	Seven Mile Cañon		30	2						8							
Total	33			846	48	5,380	25 mills	27	305	91	93	9	101	17		4	8	26,830
LYON COUNTY.																		
Bacon	Lowe & Fair	Silver City	1863	30	3					17			(2)	4	2		1,900	
Birdsall & Carpenter	Birdsall & Carpenter	Dayton	1865	75	7					20				10	5	(B)	1	125
Cole & Co. 4	Cole & Co.	Johnstown	1864	9	5					4				2				650
Confidence	Confidence M. Co.	Silver City	1861	14	2							8		5	3		500	
Dayton No. 1	Winters, Kustell & Co.	Dayton	1861	20	7					6			(2)	2	(3) 2		800	
Dayton No. 2 (1)	do	do	1864	30	7							8		4	3		500	
Daney	Daney M. & M. Co.	3 miles from Dayton	1863	20	0												40	
Engle	do	Silver City	1864	14	3			\$15		2			(1)	3	1		550	
Eastern Slope	Stevenson, Winters & Co.	Below Silver City	1862	20	3						6		(1)	5	2	(1)	1,100	
Eureka	Wheeler, Hurd & Dunker	Carson River, near Dayton	1861	22	6					10				1			530	
Excelsior	John Briggs	Johnstown	1861	18	5					18				2			500	
Franklin	Wm. Sharon, agent	Carson River, near Dayton	1861	16	8			5		2		2					1,600	
Gold-Canyon Reduction Works	Wm. Sharon, agent	Silver City	1861	25	3				(1)	7		6						
Golden Eagle	O'Neale, Rule & Co.	Carson River, near Dayton	1861	18	7					24				1			500	
Illinois	Wm. Sharon, agent	do	1864	18	7								(1)	2	3		500	
Imperial (Rook Pt.)	Imperial M. Co.	do	1861	90	7			(1)	27		14		(1)	7	3	(B) (2) 1	2,400	
Island	O'Neale, Rule & Co.	do	1862	19	7							8		3			500	
Monitor	Hirschman & Co.	Gold Cañon, near Dayton	1865	3	7					2				6	1		1,200	
Ophir (New)	Ophir S. M. Co.	Carson River	1864	40	7						12			4			500	
Phoenix No. 1 (1)	Heusch & Berton	Below Silver City	1861	20	3												550	
Pioneer (1)	Sheldon & Hickok	Silver City	1861	23	2										1		550	
Sacramento (1)	Hunt, Woodruff & Co.	Johnstown	1861	18	5												500	
San Francisco	Charles Schad	Carson River, near Dayton	1861	14	6						3						600	
Swansea	W. Sharon, agent	Johnstown	1862	20	4			(1)	22				3					

* Soon will be 1,200 per month.

† 750 tons per month; October 15, 1866.
‡ Now 2,800 tons.

NOTES ON MILLS.

STOREY COUNTY.

- Bowers* (1)—Paid this for 5 months only; has been idle four months; now running, with own water; (2) 5-foot pans.
- Central* (1)—To Virginia and Gold Hill Water Companies; also, pays \$— to Ophir Company.
- (2)—Hepburn and Peterson's, working 500 tons per month wet; four furnaces and six barrels, working 170 tons dry.
- Crown Point* (1)—Just dismantled; engine used to drain mine.
- Comet* (1)—Been idle for seven months; just started again.
- Douglas* (1)—10-inch cylinder, 30-inch stroke, 26 plain pans.
- Empire No. 1* (1)—Increasing stamps to 21; capacity to be 40 tons per day; to employ 16 men, 27 Wakelee pans.
- Empire No. 2* (1)—Concentrators and two stamps for breaking.
- Empire State* (1)—4-foot pans.
- Gold Hill* (1)—6-foot tubs.
- Hoosier State* (1)—With steam chambers.
- Land's* (B)—Throughout the table designates Blake's breakers.
- Mariposa* (1)—Also one prospecting stamp; (2) large.
- Marysville* (1)—30 5-foot plain pans.
- Pacific* (1)—Large.
- Retalima* (1)—Stamps being increased to 16; capacity to 26 tons per day; men to 11; wood to five cords; adding eight improved Wheeler pans, four settlers and one agitator.
- Route* (1)—8-foot settlers.
- Rhode Island* (1)—18-inch cylinder; (2) 7-foot pans.
- Rigby's* (1)—One extra pan and settler for tailings and one barrel.
- Rogers's* (1)—Not running for four months.
- Saphira* (1)—Wheeler.
- Simcoe* (1)—Improved.
- Stevenson* (1)—8½-inch cylinder; (2) Howland's rotary battery; can crush seven tons and amalgamate five tons per day; (3) small.
- Succor* (1)—24 Wakelee flat-bottomed pans.
- Summit* (1)—Burnt and rebuilt in 1863; (2) small pan and settler.

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- Birdsall* (1)—Mill, \$110,000; ditch, \$40,000; total, \$150,000.
- Carpenter* (2)—Large-sized Wheeler.
- Dayton No. 1* (1)—Four of these for prospecting; (2) 8-foot settlers; (3) Knox.
- Dayton No. 2* (1)—Two roasting furnaces.
- Eastern Slaps* (1)—Large.
- Eureka* (1)—Break 80 tons per day.
- G. C. Reduction Works* (1)—5-foot pans.
- Imperial Rock Pt.* (1)—7-foot tubs and settlers; (2) breaker, large size.
- Phoenix No. 1* (1)—Eight tubs and Wheeler pans.
- Pioneer* (1)—15 tubs and Wheeler pans.
- Sacramento* (1)—12 7-foot iron pans.
- Swansea* (1)—6-foot tubs and one prospecting battery and pan.
- Trench* (1)—16 flat 7-foot pans, one excelsior and two Wheeler and Randall pans.
- Weston's (Steam)* (1)—Worked but about 1,000 tons of Comstock ore this year; hauling about \$3 per ton.
- Weston's (Water)* (1)—Six flat-bottomed pans; has run but little this year for want of water.

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- Merrimac* (1)—Also, one prospecting battery and pan; (2) large.
- Mexican* (1)—Four furnaces and 10 barrels.
- Orvian* (1)—Hanscom's.

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- Manhattan* (1)—16 pans.
- Ophir* (1)—Working but 36 stamps—Freiberg process—nine furnaces.
- Reduction Works*—24 amalgamating barrels.
- Temelec* (1)—Large.
- Washoe Valley* (1)—Wheeler 12-foot breast; full capacity about 300 horse-power.
- Reduction Works*—40 stamps used for Freiberg process, and 20 for wet; eight furnaces and 20 barrels for dry process; four Wheeler and Randall's pans for wet; four more Varney pans to be introduced; (2) Blake's improved saw.

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The Mills of Sevenmile Canyon

The canyon's major mills will be covered in the order of their locations from the top of the canyon to its mouth. The Gould & Curry and Omega mills, both of which were located at the intersection of Sevenmile and Sixmile canyons, have been included with the Sevenmile Canyon mills.

Mariposa Mill: Quartz mill located at the head of Sevenmile Canyon south of the Sierra Nevada Mine. In Kelly's 1862 directory it was reported to have cost \$20,000, to have 12 stamps, and a capacity to crush 15 tons of ore per day. In 1867 the *Territorial Enterprise* reported it to be owned by the Bank of California, which was controlled by William Sharon, and to be called the California Mill. In the 1871-72 *State Mineralogist's Report* it was listed under its old name of Mariposa Mill and was reported to be processing 30 tons a day of ore from the Hale & Norcross Mine. In 1873 it was reported to be controlled by the Bonanza Kings, John W. Mackay and James G. Fair (De Quille, 1947, 394; Kelly, 1862, 111; Lord, 1883, pl. 3; Smith, 1943, 152; SMR, 1871-72, 138; TE, 1867, Dec. 20, 3:1).

Evans Mill: Small reduction facility which was located near the Sierra Nevada Mine. In 1870 the *Territorial Enterprise* listed it as the Berry & Evans Mill and reported that it was working ore from the Cosmopolitan Mine. An 1871 *Territorial Enterprise* article listed it as the Evans & Berry Mill and reported that it was running at full capacity on ore from the Sacramento & Meredith Mine. The 1871-72 *State Mineralogist's Report* listed it to be a five-stamp mill with a 13-ton-a-day capacity, which was processing ore from the Savage Mine (Lord, 1883, pl. 3; SMR, 1871-72, 138; TE, 1870, June 30, 3:2; 1871, Apr. 29, 3:2).

Sierra Nevada Mill: Sizeable quartz mill belonging to and located next to the Sierra Nevada Mine. It was reported in the early 1870s to have 20 stamps and a capacity of 50 tons a day (SMR, 1871-72, 138; TE, 1869, Mar. 6, 3:2).

Lands Mill: Reduction establishment located between the Evans and Bassett mills in Sevenmile Canyon. In the 1866 *State Mineralogist's Report* it was reported to be a steam mill using 5-1/2 cords of wood a day, having 20 stamps and 10 Wheeler pans, and crushing 30 tons of rock in 24 hours. A 1954 *Nevada State Journal* article reported that in 1868 it and the Nevada Mill were foremost among Comstock milling companies. In the early 1870s it was listed as a 20-stamp mill running on ore from the Chollar-Potosi Mine. In 1875 it was owned by the Union Mill & Mining Co., which was controlled by William Sharon (Angel, 1881, 594; Lord, 1883, pl. 3; Nevada State Journal, 1954, Nov. 14, 6:2; SMR, 1866, 148; SMR, 1871-72, 138).

Bassett Mill: Early quartz mill located about midway down Sevenmile Canyon between Lands and Winfield mills. It was built in 1861, owned by A. Bassett & Co., and was also known as the Suncook Mill. Kelly's 1863 directory described it as having a 30-horsepower engine, 12 stamps and 15 tubs, 8 employees, and a capacity of 18 tons a day. In 1865 the *Gold Hill News* reported it to have 16 stamps and blacksmith and carpenter shops, and to be running on ore from the Savage Mine. Another Bassett or Suncook Mill was located in Sixmile Canyon (GHN, 1865, Feb. 25, 3:1; Kelly, 1863, 161-62; Parkinson, 1874, map; SCR, Locations, 1870, v.A, 455).

Booths Mill: Shown on an 1862 map as located about midway down Sevenmile Canyon. The only other information found was a brief mention of this mill in an 1866 *Territorial Enterprise* article (Bancroft, 1862, map; TE, 1866, Sept. 7, 3:1).

MILLS.

I am indebted to Mr. Samuel Doake, of Virginia City, who has kindly prepared the following tabular statement of the mills in Storey County:

Name of Mill.	No. of Stamps.	No. tons per day.	Location.	Crushing Ore, from.
Adams	5	15	Gold Cañon	Empire, Gold Hill
Agnes	5	15	Gold Cañon	Crown Point Croppings
Accor	15	25	Gold Cañon	Idle
Adamsdale	2	5	Gold Cañon	Woodside
Adams	30	70	Gold Cañon	Belcher
Adams	14	30	Gold Cañon	Gold Hill Croppings
Adams	5	14	Gold Cañon	Idle
Adams	20	50	Lower Gold Hill	Idle
Adams	15	30	Lower Gold Hill	Empire, Gold Hill
Adams	15	45	Lower Gold Hill	Savage
Adams	15	75	Lower Gold Hill	Crown Point
Adams	24	75	Lower Gold Hill	Crown Point
Adams	15	40	Lower Gold Hill	Crown Point
Adams	25	50	Lower Gold Hill	Crown Point
Adams	8	18	Lower Gold Hill	Idle, out of wood
Adams	10	25	Lower Gold Hill	Belcher
Adams	18	40	Virginia	Savage
Adams	20	50	Virginia	Sierra Nevada
Adams	5	13	7-Mile Cañon	Savage
Adams	12	30	7-Mile Cañon	Hale & Norcross
Adams	20	50	Cedar Hill	Idle
Adams	20	50	7-Mile Cañon	Chollar
Adams	12	30	7-Mile Cañon	Idle
Adams	20	50	7-Mile Cañon	Chollar
Adams	15	35	6-Mile Cañon	Idle
Adams	20	50	Virginia	Chollar
Adams	15	40	6-Mile Cañon	Idle
Adams	20	50	6-Mile Cañon	Tailing Mill
Adams	20	50	6-Mile Cañon	Tailing Mill
Adams	20	50	Silver Star Dist.	Tailing Mill
Adams	10	25	6-Mile Cañon	Idle
Total, 29 mills	399	1,001		

WASHOE COUNTY.

This county is north of Ormsby. It takes its name from a tribe of Indians who inhabit the western portion of the State. A few mining districts have been organized within its boundaries, at different times, but none of them have ever been a source of much profit. The wealth of this county consists chiefly in its agricultural resources and timber lands. Formerly, the streams of water flowing from the cañons in the Terras into Washoe Valley were made available for milling purposes, in reducing the ores from the Comstock; and at one time no less than ten mills, having an aggregate of two hundred and eighty-one stamps, were in active operation in this county—some of these, moreover, were of the largest size, and first-class in all their appliances. The Ophir Company's mill, of seventy stamps capacity, and built at a cost of a half million dollars, and Dall's Mill at Franktown, having sixty stamps, were among

the first mills in the State. Since the completion of the Truckee Railroad, however, ore can be delivered so much cheaper to the mills on the Carson River, that with the exception of the Truckee Mill, near Reno, and one or two tailing mills in Washoe Valley, nearly all these mills have been dismantled and abandoned.

RENO

Is the county seat, and is situated on the line of the Central Pacific Railroad. From this point all supplies used in the southwestern section of the State are forwarded, as well as to Douglas, Ormsby, Lyon, and Storey Counties. It is pleasantly located on the banks of the Truckee River and has many natural advantages for maintaining itself as a prosperous town.

WADSWORTH

Is situated thirty-five miles further east, on the line of the railroad. There are located here the repair and machine shops for the Truckee division of the Central Pacific Railroad. From this point freight is shipped to Belmont, Ellsworth, and Columbus; and all the soda and borax obtained in Churchill and Esmeralda Counties are forwarded this place for shipment to the markets.

WASHOE CITY,

Formerly the county seat, Ophir, and Franktown, since the decline of milling enterprises in this county, are not so flourishing as they were some years ago.

The following interesting description of the agricultural and other resources of this county has been condensed from the columns of the *Nevada State Journal*, a well edited weekly newspaper published at Reno.

It may be said that Washoe County embraces an area of one thousand and five hundred square miles and that of this extent not less than eight hundred to one thousand square miles will ultimately be found valuable for agricultural and grazing purposes. We think we are speaking within proper bounds of truth, for, in fact, it is difficult to say what noticeable portion of the entire county is not to a greater or less extent fit for grazing. Of the fine arable land (by which we mean land so situated, of proper richness, that crops may be raised by irrigation) we think that there are between three hundred and four hundred square miles. Notwithstanding the rather extensive reclamation and cultivation of lands in Washoe Valley and Truckee Meadows, we do not believe that one fourth of our arable lands have been yet tested for anything like their reasonable capacity for farming operations. The surface of the county alternates in mountain range, valley, hill, and lake. The eastern range of the Sierra Nevada Mountains were years ago clothed from valley to summit with forests of excellent timber. Since then, great inroads have been made among these trees for the procuring of lumber, mining timber, and wood, but enough yet remains in the southwestern portion of the county to form an extensive source of supply for the same purposes, and all accessible labor and capital. The extreme southwest corner of the county is found within the limits of the remarkable and beautiful Lake Tahoe.

MAR POSA MILL

about 60 ft. and we are informed that they have struck rock which will pay \$200 per ton, and the ledge continues to widen as they go down.

MINE SOLD.—We understand that the Bunker Hill gold mine, near Amador City, has been sold to Mayor Joseph Brown of St. Louis.

CALAVERAS COUNTY.

BIG CHUNK.—*Calaveras Chronicle*, Nov. 1: A miner working near Jesus Maria, the other day—an Italian—picked up a piece of gold weighing twenty-five ounces. That is the biggest "find" we have heard of for some time—quite remarkable for these degenerate mining days. A bushel basketful of such chunks would add considerably to a fellow's stock of contentment.

RICH ROCK.—We learn that extremely rich rock has lately been struck in the Good Hope mine at Mosquito. The rich quartz was discovered in the 200 ft. level, and is now being stoped out for crushing in the new mill. We have not heard how extensive the recent discovery is likely to prove.

DURYEA HYDRAULIC.—The past two months have been principally employed in "cleaning up" after nearly a year's run. When we state that in the Duryea claim over half an acre of bottom, upon which a bank of gravel, over 100 ft. in depth originally stood, has been recently cleaned, some idea of the labor performed, as the result of the past season's washing, can be obtained. We have no means of approximating the quantity of gold realized, but the proprietor informed us that the amount exceeded his expectations by thousands of dollars. The claim is now in excellent condition for the resumption of washing. New ground sluices have been dug and the rocks and other debris cleared away by the aid of a huge water power derrick.

BROWN & Co.—The incline tunnel has reached a length of 300 ft. in Tunnel ridge. Although the "lead" has not yet been cut, a fair quality of gravel is being taken out—sufficiently good to indicate that large returns will be realized when the pay-streak proper is reached. The gravel is drawn up the incline in cars by mules, a railway track extending from one extremity of the tunnel to the other for that purpose.

MOSER & HAWORTH, proprietors of the noted Spring Gulch claim, are also energetically preparing to take advantage of the coming rain-falls. They, however, have not ceased washing during the summer, and have been doing remarkably well throughout the entire dry season. During the winter they expect to be able to uncover a large section of the rich bottom of the gulch, and in the spring reap a golden harvest that will repay them ten-fold for their labor and industry.

BRACKETT & Co. have run their new tunnel 600 ft. into the ridge, and on Monday last struck the lead. The gravel is rich. A large force of hands is to be put at work as soon as a "breast" can be widened out to give them an opportunity, when the mine will undoubtedly resume its former handsome weekly payments. The gravel is so hard that it cannot be thoroughly washed without crushing, and a battery for that purpose will be erected as soon as practicable. The iron pipe intended for carrying water for milling purposes is already laid. A very large amount of money has been taken from this claim through a tunnel lower down the ridge, and there is no doubt but the new location is now prepared to duplicate the yield.

VERTH & SEAR.—The sluices are to be raised for the purpose of affording a better dump for tailings, and everything put in shape for working to the best advantage. The claim is abundantly supplied with the most approved appliances known to modern hydraulicing, and as the bank of gravel is deep and rich there is no reason why the claim should not give an excellent account of itself this winter.

MARIPOSA COUNTY.

THE WASHINGTON MINE.—*Mariposa Gazette*, October 30: Most of the Working force on Washington mine has been discharged, the quartz at the new shaft failing to pay. The few who are at work now are sinking the old shaft. The intention of the owners is to sink it 250 feet deeper.

NUMBER NINE.—The quartz vein known as "Number Nine," situated near Quartzburg,

the four weeks will be in the neighborhood of \$15,000; not counting sulphurets. The regular clean up will be made to-morrow.

PLACER COUNTY.

NEW ENTERPRISE.—*Placer Herald*, Nov. 1: The six-stamp mill, which formerly stood at the Mammoth ledge in Lone Star District, has been purchased by a San Francisco capitalist, John Sanborn, and is now being moved and re-erected on Auburn Ravine, one mile below town, under the supervision of J. L. Bray. The mill is being reconstructed to save the gold by what is known as the Penniman process. By this plan the rock is crushed dry, and the gold is extracted from sulphurets in one passing through the pans, which pans are peculiarly adapted to save free gold, no matter how fine. The Penniman process is now used in South Carolina and Colorado with the most satisfactory results. Well-versed quartz men who have examined the process pronounce it the only method yet known to save all the gold at one working. Mr. Bray is said to understand his business eminently well, and he is quite positive he can work the ores which he has examined in this vicinity up to 85 or 90 per cent. of a fine assay. Should this mill by the Penniman process be proven to save the gold as well as is now reasonably claimed, its advent will create an epoch in the history of our quartz mines that will long be remembered with pleasure. Many of our mines now lying idle contain an abundance of rock which will pay well by a process that will save 90 per cent. of the gold; but which return but small dividends when crushed by the ordinary quartz mill. We regard the enterprise with favor, and when the mill starts working, which we understand will be by the first of December, we shall hope to hear of it proving successful, equal to the anticipations of the most sanguine.

THAT COAL MINE.—We have received some specimens of the coal taken from the mine at Lincoln. Its appearance is not that of regular stone coal, but we put some in the fire, and found it burned freely, and in a short time found a glowing cinder. If it is a good thing, as we hope it is, the people at Lincoln will soon have to commence repairing some of those shabby-looking houses which line the streets of that moral little burg.

BETTER AND MORE OF IT.—We had a conversation the other day with engineer Barney, of the St. Patrick mine, and he informed us that he never saw a better mine than the Crater Hill is getting to be. It has been good all along. They are now down 307 feet, and the deeper they get, the richer the rock. He informed us also that the company had just been adding to the mill, a self-feeder, which he describes as a most excellent improvement on the old method of feeding by hand.

SIERRA COUNTY.

BALD MOUNTAIN.—*Mountain Messenger*, Oct. 25: The Bald Mountain gravel company, of Forest City, are working about 75 men, and think by extra good management to be able to keep them at work till water comes. The management will consist in finding room for their gravel; it is looking now as though it were impossible to find room for much more. They have now on their dumps, over 23,000 car loads, and their cars are extra large. They have a little water, enough to wash about 75 car loads per week, which is not a drop in the bucket. It pays as well as usual.

SOUTH FORK.—The South Fork company at Forest City have their tunnel in about 600 feet in soft rock. The owners are sanguine of a good claim.

IMMENSE WHEEL.—Manson & Co., of the Downville Foundry, are at work making a pattern for an immense wheel to be cast by them for the Independence mine in a few weeks. It will weigh five or six thousand pounds.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY.

THE GOOD HOPE AND IDAHO VEINS.—*Tuolumne Independent*, Nov. 1: These lodes are situated on the bank of the Tuolumne river, at the entrance of the Big Basin, and about four miles from Arastraville. The Good Hope and Idaho are considered as two veins in one—the Idaho being situated 200 ft. east of the former, with a 16 inch vein on the surface. The Good Hope shows a vein six ft. clear, without the gangues at the bottom of a 25 ft. shaft—and

mines, if properly developed, for that whole State.

TRINITY COUNTY.

HARD ROCK.—*Trinity Journal*, Nov. 1: More hard work, in the way of cutting bed-rock, has probably been done in the Union Hill claim, above Douglass City, than in any other mine in this county, and the boys have plenty more of it ahead. During the past month they have been working night and day and only have 30 ft. of tunnel to show for it.

THE Shasta Courier says: "Henry Foley, just down from the cinnabar mines in Trinity county, is full of confidence in the ultimate success of the quicksilver mines located there."

MILL UP.—Mr. Wm. Guthrie informs us that his new mill is up and will be in running order in a short time.

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MEADOW VALLEY.—*Pioche Record*, Nov. 1: The sinking of incline No. 3 has been resumed. The west drift is now in 209 ft., indications very good. The east drift is in 311 ft. The east drift from the 4th level is in 137 ft. A cross-cut at the 3d level has been run a distance of 47 ft.

AMERICAN FLAG.—High grade ore has been struck in the bottom of the shaft.

PIOCHE.—There are from 50 to 60 tons of ore on the dump, and more is being taken out. The new shaft yesterday morning was 394 ft. deep.

CHIEF OF THE HILL.—Made 14 ft. progress during the week in the cross-cut at the 360-ft. level. The west drift has also been run 14 ft. during the week.

WASHINGTON AND CREOLE.—The east winze has been sunk to a depth of 100 ft. A cross-head has come in at the bottom of the prospect winze, cutting the ledge out.

SILVER PEAK.—The incline is now down 360 ft. The ledge is at this depth about 4½ ft. wide. The drift at the 250-ft. level still shows an improvement in the quality of the ore.

SPRING MOUNTAIN TUNNEL.—The work of sinking in the tunnel continues. Ledge No. 2 has not yet been cut. The shaft is now 150 ft. in depth.

BOWERY.—The shaft is still being sunk, and is now 425 ft. deep.

CHIEF EAST EXTENSION.—The main shaft is now 271 ft. deep. Sinking on the ledge continues.

CAROLINE.—The men have begun a cross-cut for the ledge at the 425-ft. level. The shaft is now about 8 ft. below the 425-ft. station.

CONDOR.—Work is going on in a drift which the men are running for the ledge.

PIOCHE WEST EXTENSION.—The sinking of the shaft continues.

NEWARK.—Work is going on as usual—no new developments being reported.

STILL SINKING.—The Ivanhoe and Pioche-Phenix are still sinking.

WASHOE DISTRICT.

CONSOLIDATED VIRGINIA.—*Gold Hill News*, Nov. 1: Daily yield 200 tons of ore. The Bacon, Mariposa and Occidental mills are kept steadily crushing ore from the mine, and are making rich returns. The ore breasts are gradually being widened out, and worked in almost every direction from the point where the extraction of ore was commenced. The average assay from the main south breast last evening was \$263.90. Average assay of car samples from the Gould & Curry dump for the last 24 hours \$122.50. The north winze is down 65 ft., the entire distance in rich ore. The tub samples from this winze for the past 24 hours have averaged \$114 per assay value, while a sample taken from the lowest point reached, gave \$229.17. The main east drift at the 1000-ft. level to tap the upper part of the ore body and give ventilation to the mine in making good progress. A drift east has also been started at the 1200-ft. level to cut the ore body at the point nearest the shaft and is soon expected to reach the ore vein. Sinking the main shaft was resumed yesterday.

CROWN POINT.—Daily yield 450 tons. The winze north from the 1300 to 1400-ft. levels, has completed the connection, giving a fine circulation of good air. The middle and south winzes, from the 1300-ft. level, are both being driven vigorously ahead, the bottom of both in

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The Mills of Sevenmile Canyon

The canyon's major mills will be covered in the order of their locations from the top of the canyon to its mouth. The Gould & Curry and Omega mills, both of which were located at the intersection of Sevenmile and Sixmile canyons, have been included with the Sevenmile Canyon mills.

Mariposa Mill: Quartz mill located at the head of Sevenmile Canyon south of the Sierra Nevada Mine. In Kelly's 1862 directory it was reported to have cost \$20,000, to have 12 stamps, and a capacity to crush 15 tons of ore per day. In 1867 the *Territorial Enterprise* reported it to be owned by the Bank of California, which was controlled by William Sharon, and to be called the California Mill. In the 1871-72 *State Mineralogist's Report* it was listed under its old name of Mariposa Mill and was reported to be processing 30 tons a day of ore from the Hale & Norcross Mine. In 1873 it was reported to be controlled by the Bonanza Kings, John W. Mackay and James G. Fair (De Quille, 1947, 394; Kelly, 1862, 111; Lord, 1883, pl. 3; Smith, 1943, 152; SMR, 1871-72, 138; TE, 1867, Dec. 20, 3:1).

Evans Mill: Small reduction facility which was located near the Sierra Nevada Mine. In 1870 the *Territorial Enterprise* listed it as the Berry & Evans Mill and reported that it was working ore from the Cosmopolitan Mine. An 1871 *Territorial Enterprise* article listed it as the Evans & Berry Mill and reported that it was running at full capacity on ore from the Sacramento & Meredith Mine. The 1871-72 *State Mineralogist's Report* listed it to be a five-stamp mill with a 13-ton-a-day capacity, which was processing ore from the Savage Mine (Lord, 1883, pl. 3; SMR, 1871-72, 138; TE, 1870, June 30, 3:2; 1871, Apr. 29, 3:2).

Sierra Nevada Mill: Sizeable quartz mill belonging to and located next to the Sierra Nevada Mine. It was reported in the early 1870s to have 20 stamps and a capacity of 50 tons a day (SMR, 1871-72, 138; TE, 1869, Mar. 6, 3:2).

Lands Mill: Reduction establishment located between the Evans and Bassett mills in Sevenmile Canyon. In the 1866 *State Mineralogist's Report* it was reported to be a steam mill using 5-1/2 cords of wood a day, having 20 stamps and 10 Wheeler pans, and crushing 30 tons of rock in 24 hours. A 1954 *Nevada State Journal* article reported that in 1868 it and the Nevada Mill were foremost among Comstock milling companies. In the early 1870s it was listed as a 20-stamp mill running on ore from the Chollar-Potosi Mine. In 1875 it was owned by the Union Mill & Mining Co., which was controlled by William Sharon (Angel, 1881, 594; Lord, 1883, pl. 3; Nevada State Journal, 1954, Nov. 14, 6:2; SMR, 1866, 148; SMR, 1871-72, 138).

Bassett Mill: Early quartz mill located about midway down Sevenmile Canyon between Lands and Winfield mills. It was built in 1861, owned by A. Bassett & Co., and was also known as the Suncook Mill. Kelly's 1863 directory described it as having a 30-horsepower engine, 12 stamps and 15 tubs, 8 employees, and a capacity of 18 tons a day. In 1865 the *Gold Hill News* reported it to have 16 stamps and blacksmith and carpenter shops, and to be running on ore from the Savage Mine. Another Bassett or Suncook Mill was located in Sixmile Canyon (GHN, 1865, Feb. 25, 3:1; Kelly, 1863, 161-62; Parkinson, 1874, map; SCR, Locations, 1870, v.A, 455).

Booths Mill: Shown on an 1862 map as located about midway down Sevenmile Canyon. The only other information found was a brief mention of this mill in an 1866 *Territorial Enterprise* article (Bancroft, 1862, map; TE, 1866, Sept. 7, 3:1).

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easily, and the rock is pounded as finely as in any of the other mills. It is now crushing ore from the Discovery, claim on the McIntire lode, and on Wednesday last the plates were looking finely.

The "St. Louis" and Montana Co's mill at Flint Creek is running constantly and turning out bullion at a rate perfectly agreeable to those interested. The mines are improving as developments bring their riches in view, the Hope, Comanche and Poor-man leads far exceeding expectations. Messrs. Taylor, Madison & Co., have purchased 1,100 feet on the Van Dieman lode, northeast of the Comanche, and are developing it. The vein of the pay ore is 13 feet wide. One of the Company is about to start East, and will have a mill gotten up in St. Louis, this winter from California patterns of the latest and improved character. Everything is lively at Phillipsburgh.

The Argenta correspondent writes that precisely seven weeks from the day the first blow was struck, on the Elsie Smelting Works, the first charge was put in the furnace. The furnace works to a charm. During the first 24 hours, one ton of rich lead was run out. There is now out 6,000 lbs., 2,600 lbs. per day, worth from \$500 to \$550 per ton. When from 12 to 15 tons have been run, the furnace will be stopped and the cupel started, it not being deemed advisable to crowd the works at first. When working to its full capacity, two tons of lead per day will be run, and from 20 to 25 tons cupelled at one operation.

NEVADA.

Humboldt.

The Unionville correspondent of the Marysville Appeal, of Dec. 20th, writes:

From all parts of the country we have favorable accounts. Mr. Fall has been quietly working his mine for the last six or eight weeks with a force of 20 men, keeping the Pioneer mill running day and night. The public was startled a few days ago upon learning the fact that he has all along been taking out ore by the tons of the value of \$1,000 per ton, and that too, from the finest vein ever discovered in this county. This mine is five ft. wide at a depth of 70 ft., enclosed between two as fine walls as I ever saw, pitching into the mountain at an angle of 45°. This entire vein from wall to wall is rich pay. This mine is located in a rich belt of ore which can be traced by float rock for a distance of two miles or more. The belt will now be thoroughly developed. The Seymour Co. have struck a small vein of ore of the same character as the Aragona, about a mile south. The vein is very thin on top but increases as they go down. A New York company has secured the National mine, and in a short time will proceed to its development. It will erect a mill early in the spring. Mr. Fall is now making arrangements for a 16-stamp steam mill for his new mine. With his new mill and the Pioneer, he will be able to reduce from 25 to 30 tons per day. The supply of ore is amply sufficient to keep both mills running day and night.

Unionville Register, Dec. 21st: The quartz mill belonging to the Monroe Co., is now being laid down in Dun Glen, where it will soon be put up and in running order.

The Essex Co's mill, at Dun Glen, is expected to be ready early in January. Work is being pushed vigorously on the mines, and large quantities of ore are now being piled up in anticipation of the early completion of this mill.

Gov. Fall is making arrangements to resume work on this mine at an early day. The ore will be worked at the Essex mill,

mill of the Belmont Co. arrived in the city last night; also 1,500 ozs. of crude bullion from the Old Dominion mill at Hot Creek.

Dec. 23d: A lot of upwards of 100 tons of ore from the Great Eastern mine, sent to the California mill for reduction, in all 1 1/2 tons of very rich ore, the pulp assay of which was \$408 per ton. The small lot was carefully selected. The great proportion of the ore was second class, which will yield about \$125 per ton.

Silver Bend Reporter Dec. 21st: The ore in the incline of the El Dorado South still continues of about the same quality as a week ago—assays ranging from \$400 to about \$5,000 per ton. A depth of 16 feet has now been sunk in this body of rich ore. The incline will be continued until water is reached, when the levels will be run and preparations made for mining upon an extensive plan and in a thoroughly systematic manner. In the absence of a custom mill, the ore taken from the vein will be sent to Austin for reduction. It is estimated that the ore already out will net a sum sufficient to reimburse the owners for all expenditures made upon the mine to the present time. A shipment of 5 1/2 tons of ore will be made to-day, aggregating upwards of 13 tons forwarded since the strike.

On the 12th inst. there was received at Austin bullion valued at \$3,000, from the Knickerbocker mill, Ione district, Washoe.

[In the Stock Circular, in another portion of this paper, will be found late mining news from this district.]

Virginia Enterprise, Dec. 20th: The Mariposa mill, at the foot of Cedar Hill, having become the property of the California Bank, has been remodeled and renamed. It is now called the California mill, and is rigged up in the same style as the mills at Grass Valley. There are no pans and no arrangements for saving silver. It will run upon gold rock from the Sacramento mine, on Cedar Hill, Steel & Co., (who have a contract for taking from the mine some 200,000 tons of ore) furnishing the mill with the rock.

Dec. 21st: Well, Fargo & Co. shipped from this city and Gold Hill, during the week, 4,317 pounds of assayed bullion, valued at \$104,135 94.

Dec. 22d: A small lot of ore from the Independence lead, Washington district, worked at the Eclipse mill, Gold Hill, according to assay by Van Wick & Co. yielded as follows: Gold, \$19 22; silver, \$14 21—total, \$33 43 per ton of ore. Value per ton of bullion, \$3 20.

Dec. 24th: Owing to an accident to the boiler of the Chollar Petosi hoisting works, work on the mine has been discontinued, until the necessary repairs are made.

Dec. 25th: Last night's freshet was exceedingly disastrous to the Bowers mill. An immense body of water came down, carrying with it hundreds of tons of rock. The ditch soon filled up notwithstanding the utmost exertions of 15 or 20 men. As soon as the water broke over the embankment, an acre of ground back of the mill was covered with the debris from two to four feet deep, and the mill even to a greater depth. The well in the mill, and the tanks, and many of the pans were filled. About 40 tons of pay ore was swept down with the general mass. The damage done will probably amount to \$5,000; besides it will take four weeks to get the mill ready.

Dec. 29th: From every quarter we hear news of the destruction of property by the late flood, on both Six-mile and Gold Canons, the sluices for saving sulphurets and the

have realized an average of \$18 ton. The Humboldt Co. with all have been saving \$30 per ton from the same ledge. Mr. Seelye is the purpose of procuring better machinery contracted with the Willa Works for a 10-stamp battery and power engine, which he designs to the mine as soon as complete. Grande Co's mine is well developed, apparently, a fine prospect from it. The shaft is sunk about the incline, and at that depth, eight ft. wide. For the last three men in the shaft have gone average of eight to ten tons of ore and Mr. Seelye thinks that 10 of the mine and mill can run at 10 to its full capacity.

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visit New York.
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 New Boilers.—The Yellow Jacket Company have just received and will at once set up two new boilers, each 16 feet in length by 54 inches in diameter. Each boiler contains 50 three-inch tubes. The boilers were manufactured at the Pioneer Boiler Works.
 The omnibus line, plying between this city and Gold Hill is being well patronized this summer. Our people all seem to have made up their minds that it is much cheaper to pay two bits for a ride than to walk during the hot weather.
 Nor 50.—There was a report on the streets last evening that a miner in the Chollar-Potosi had been caved on and fatally injured. Upon tracing the matter up we found that a workman in the mine had sprained himself. No life—no smashing of bones!
 Overhauling.—The Kentucky Company are engaged in overhauling their hoisting works. They are putting in new reels, repairing their shaft, and putting everything in order for a long siege of heavy work.
 Low Fare.—The old line of Dayton stages leaving that town in the morning charges but four bits to this city and intermediate points. Nobody can complain of this as extortionate.
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 For Sunday Accommodation.—After this date the stage office of Wells, Fargo & Co. will be open on Sundays from 2 to 4 o'clock P. M., for the accommodation of those wishing to secure seats in the stages to California.
 The Corro Gordo mines are still well spoken of. Parties who left this city a few weeks since to look after interests in various leads in that section express themselves as being perfectly satisfied with their mines.
 Freight teams, loaded with merchandise for our business houses, continue to throng our streets. Our merchants appear to be determined to take time by the forelock this season.
 TELEGRAPHIC.—There are messages at the Telegraph office for the following persons: Michael Kelly and C. Morales or Lottie Morales.
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 U. R. Marshall and Messenger in Bankruptcy.
 H. B. Corbett, attorney for petitioner.
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interest until paid. (Signed) P. H. Davis, J. V. McCurdy.

Now this Indenture Witnesseth That the said parties of the
first part for the better securing the payment of the said sum of
Twenty thousand to be paid by the said Sharon Co. notes with interest

9/9/1867

BANKRUPTCY TRANSFER OF MARIPOSA MILL TO WILLIAM SHARON

approved, December 19, 1853, and entitled, "An Act authorizing M. H. Robinson, J. H. Roberts, and their associates, to construct and maintain a Railroad, which also the title which in all the rights, franchises and franchises vested in the owner of said railroad, in any manner whatsoever. This conveyance is made, however, subject to mortgages upon said described property, to be paid, made by the party of the first part to William S. Sharon, on dated April 14th 1857, to secure the payment of \$10,000.00 with interest at one and one half per cent per month, and the other dated the 15th day of September 1857, for same the payment of ten notes for \$1,000.00 each at six and twelve months respectively, with interest at one and one half per cent per month, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any way appurtenant, and the revenues and profits of said railroad, and remainder and remainder rents, issues and profits thereof, and also all the right, title and interest, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, in and to law as belonging to the said party of the first part, of record, the above premises and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances. The same and the whole of said singular the said premises together with the appurtenances unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever. In Witness whereof the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Duly Stamped

H. C. Howard, Esq.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of

State of California

) ss.

On this nineteenth day of September

City & County of San Francisco

)

A. C. One thousand Eight hundred and Fifty

Seven before me, U. S. Randall, a Commissioner of Deeds for the State of Nevada, duly appointed, commissioned and residing in San Francisco, Cal., County, personally appeared the within named H. C. Howard, whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument as a party thereto, personally known to me to be the individual described in said instrument, and who acknowledged and attested to me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily, and for the use and purposes therein mentioned. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official Seal in said County the day and year in the foregoing first above written.



U. S. Randall

Commissioner of Deeds for the State of Nevada

Recorded at request of J. S. King September 21st 1867 at 11 min. per 100.00

Chas. H. Cook, Recorder

Joseph V. McCurdy
by Assignees in Bankruptcy
to
William Sharon

U. S. Nevada and State Courts, signed and
This Indenture made this Ninth day of September
in the year Eight hundred and Fifty Seven
between A. L. Tracy, James J. Farn and
John E. Ely, Assignees of Joseph V. McCurdy

a Bankrupt of the City of Virginia, County of Storey and State of Nevada of the first part and William Sharon of the same place, party of the second part. Witnesseth that whereas on the Second day of July A. D. 1867, the said Joseph V. McCurdy a resident of the City of Virginia appeared and within the Judicial District of Nevada, and by petition orally to the United States District Court in and for the District of Nevada, asking for his place of residence, his inability to pay all his debts in full, his willingness to surrender all his estate and effects for the benefit of his creditors and his desire to obtain the benefit of the Act of the Congress

of the United States, passed a March, A.D. 1867, entitled "An act to Establish a uniform system of Bankruptcy throughout the United States," and did provide, with full title, the substance, purport, contents and meaning in Section 133, of said Act, and which was afterwards on July 1st A.D. 1867, the said Joseph V. McCurdy, was by the said Court adjudged a Bankrupt and is now in Bankruptcy, was thereupon duly assigned against the Estate of the said Joseph V. McCurdy, and whereas afterwards on the twenty third day of July, A.D. 1867, at a regularly called meeting of the creditors of the said Joseph V. McCurdy, the said H. Schuch, James Foster and John L. Lutz, persons having the first part, were duly chosen by said creditors, Assignees of the Estate of the said Bankrupt Joseph V. McCurdy and thereupon on the twenty fourth day of July, A.D. 1867, said Assignees appeared in writing their acceptance of the trust duly qualified as such Assignees and filed a good and sufficient Bond in the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance and discharge of their duties, and thereupon James L. Lutz Esq. the duly appointed and qualified Register in Bankruptcy for the said District of Nevada, did by an authorized order in his hands assign and convey to the said Assignees all the Estate, real and personal of the said Bankrupt Joseph V. McCurdy, including the said Estate and property hereinafter described and said Assignees thereupon entered into and took possession of the said Estate. And whereas thereafter on the thirty first day of August A.D. 1867 good and true being then the District Court made an order that the real Estate in the hands of said Assignees should pass to the Estate of said Bankrupt Joseph V. McCurdy, to be sold at public sale by said Assignees and that notice by newspaper advertisement or legal bills be dispensed with. And whereas the said William Shaver, party first of the said part is the owner and holder of certain incumbrances against the following described real Estate and property a part of the Estate of the said Bankrupt Joseph V. McCurdy, the incumbrances consisting of mortgages upon said property, of which there was due and owing to said William Shaver on the first day of September A.D. 1867, the sum of Twenty Thousand five hundred and fifty Seven & 60/100 Dollars (\$20,557.60) And whereas on the said first day of September A.D. 1867, the failure of the first part in performance of the above mentioned order of the said District Court and under and by virtue of the authority in them vested, did in consideration of the release of said incumbrances by the party of the same part, set his real Estate and property hereinafter described to the party of the same part. Wherefore the above parties of the first part, Assignees as aforesaid of Joseph V. McCurdy, a Bankrupt, in consideration of the premises and of the sum of One Dollar to them now have paid by the party of the same part, the receipt whereupon has been acknowledged, have granted, conveyed sold and conveyed and by these presents do grant bargain sell and convey to the party of the same part, All that certain piece or parcel of land and well situate in the City of Virginia, County of Storey and State of Nevada, in what is known as and called "Hobart's Claim" bounded as follows to wit, Commencing at a stake on the East bank of a ditch, said ditch of Hobart's Claim, said State being at the said East corner of said survey by W.C. Bullman to J.D. Turner October 1st 1861, thence running north Easterly along said ditch to a point where the road crosses the said ditch, to Cedar Hill Summit, thence Northwesterly to an old dump pile of the Miller Company to a ditch, thence Easterly along said ditch to the place of beginning. The said tract being a triangular piece of land bounded on South West by the

of Storey County State of Nevada party of the first part and J. C. Floods
J. H. Mackay, James G. Fair and H. J. O'Brien parties of the second part
Witnesseth that the party of the first part for and in consideration of
the sum of \$10,000 (Ten thousand Dollars) gave 2000 of the United States of America
to them in and to them by the said parties of the second part the receipt
whereof is hereby acknowledged both parties bargain and sold and conveyed
and by them personally sold and conveyed to and among such the said parties
of the second part and to their heirs and assigns forever all the right title
and interest of me and to that certain piece or parcel of land and more like
situate in the City of Virginia County of Storey State of Nevada in to wit
between and called to wit the same described as follows to wit a Commencing
at a stake on the East bank of a ditch on the East side of Cedar Ravine
said state being at the South East corner of land conveyed by H. J. O'Brien
to R. S. Thomas Nov. 1, 1861 thence running Northwesterly along said ditch to a
point where the road crosses the said ditch to Cedar Hill thence
Northerly to an old dump pile of the Miller Company to a ditch thence Southerly
along said ditch to the place of beginning the said tract being a triangular
piece of land bounded on the South west by lot of the Sierra Nevada Mining
Company and on the North East by lot owned by the Cedar Hill Mineral Company
I being the said Thomas in now exist the same Party Conveying Miller Thomas
and Mansfield Mills also the said Mansfield Mills and all the machinery
thereon and appurtenances thereof and all the buildings upon said land
together with all and singular the tenements hereditaments and appurtenances
thereunto belonging or in any way appertaining and the revenues and profits
thereof and all and singular the same and profits thereof and also all the
estate right title interest share share claim and demand whatsoever in and
to the said piece of land and to the said tract of land or to the said
premises and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances to have
and to hold all and singular the said premises together with the appurtenances
unto the said parties of the second part their heirs and assigns forever in full
thrust the said parties of the first part shall receive set his hand and seal
the day and year first above written
Wm. Sharon (S.S.)
Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of A. D. Merrill
State of Nevada I do on this 12th day of February A.D. one thousand Eight
hundred and eighty seven before me Will to Durate a Notary
Public in and for said County reading therein duly sworn and sworn
personally appeared William Sharon whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument
and who is well known to me to be the individual described in
and who is well known to me to be the individual described in
and who is well known to me to be the individual described in
that he executed the same duly and lawfully and for the uses and purposes
therein mentioned (S.S.) In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed my official seal at my office in said County the day and year in
these Certificate first above written Will to Durate Notary Public
in and for Storey County Nevada
Witness at request of J. G. Fair February 12 A.D. 1887 at 50 Mine first 9 A.M.
Chas. H. Fair Recorder
By J. E. Director deputy

Crayton Kinton } Required and State Bonds 500 each
J. H. Mackay } This Indenture made the 10th day of February in the year of
1887 } one hundred and eighty seven between Crayton
Kinton of the County of Storey State of Nevada party of the first part and